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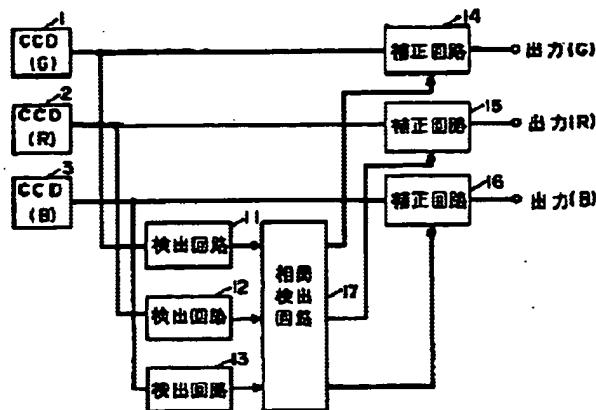
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TITLE : PICTURE ELEMENT DEFECT
CORRECTION DEVICE



ABSTRACT : PURPOSE: To obtain an excellent picture without deteriorating substantial picture quality by solving a problem of detecting and correcting a signal in mistake with a picture element defect and detecting and correcting the signal while correctly distinguishing the substantial signal from the picture element defect.

CONSTITUTION: Detection circuits 11-13 detect projection from a picture element being an output of solid-state image pickup elements 1-3. A correlation detection circuit 17 detects the correlation of the outputs of the detection circuits 11-13. Then correction circuits 14-16 make correction when an output signal of the correlation detection circuit 17 is discriminated to have no correlation.

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